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Applicant: FUMIO TAJIMA ET AL.
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Title: PERMANENT MAGNET ELECTRIC ROTATING MACHINE
AND ELECTROMOTIVE VEHICLE USING PERMANENT
MAGNET ELECTRIC ROTATING MACHINE

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 22, 2002 and the Advisory Action dated January 24, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indicated allowance of claims 26 and 27. Claims 18-25 stand rejected. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

In the final Office Action, Applicants independent claims 18 and 19 were rejected as being obvious over JP 7-20050 (JP '050) in view of JP 2-5436 (JP '436). Dependent claims 20-25 were rejected as unpatentable over JP '050 in view of KLIMAN (US 5,117,553). Applicants requested reconsideration on